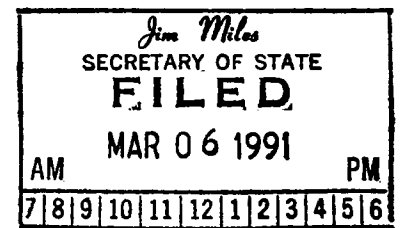


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WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina faces tremendous challenges and opportunities as it enters the twenty-first century; and

WHEREAS, state government has developed into a government run by a multitude of uncoordinated, unaccountable and uncontrolled autonomous boards, commissions, agencies, departments, and authorities that are simply incapable of responding efficiently to the massive demands and responsibilities placed on a modern state government; and

WHEREAS, most executive branches are technically run by a board or commission, this board or commission generally meets one day a month and is in reality run by an agency head that is neither elected nor approved by the people he is intended to serve; and

WHEREAS, these agency directors are accountable to the chief executive officer thus making the Governor head of the executive branch in name only; and

WHEREAS, this lack of accountability often results in these agencies becoming dominated by the interest groups they serve, with the result that the bureaucracy serves the special interests rather than the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the current structure of state government sometimes makes efficient and economical delivery of services impossible because of the overlapping responsibility and unnecessary duplication in this multitude of state agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has offered a plan for restructuring the executive branch to bring accountability and efficiency to South Carolina state government; and

WHEREAS, several members of the General Assembly have introduced legislation that may partially address some aspects of government restructuring.

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposals require a concerted effort to develop a plan regarding the number and making of advisory boards and review the effect of such changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina, I hereby establish the South Carolina Commission on Government Restructuring to review and fine tune the overall plan of restructuring Government as proposed by the Governor, develop a long term plan to achieve such restructuring, and to review all current legislation proposals, review efforts achieved in other states, and offer an analysis of budget savings if such a plan were implemented.

The Commission shall have as co-chairmen, Lieutenant Governor Nick A. Theodore and Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, David Wilkins. Furthermore, the Commission shall have additional members representing business, government, academia, and law, that are appointed by the Governor. The Commission shall meet at the call of the co-chairmen and shall be at the facilities provided by the Governor's Office or other locations suitable for the Commission.

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The staff for the Commission shall be provided by the Governor's Office, the Lieutenant Governor's Office, House Judiciary Committee staff, the staff of the State Reorganization Commission, and any other staff provided by this Commission. All agencies of this state shall provide the information and services requested by the Commission.

The first priority of the Commission shall be the consideration of the support services, financial assistance and any other resources needed by the Commission. Should the Commission require financial resources beyond those available from the above mentioned support agencies, then private funds may be made available through contributions to the Commission.

A final report shall be submitted by the Commission detailing a comprehensive plan following the proposals of the Governor. The report shall be due by October 1, 1991.

This Order rescinds Executive Order No. 91-01.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA, THIS 6th DAY OF
MARCH, 1991.


CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, JR.
Governor

ATTEST:


JAMES M. MILES
Secretary of State